Setting up of building centres

*259. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently formulated a plan to set up building Centres in the country with a view to impart training to local artisans in low cost building technologies; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) and (b) Government have decided to set up a national network of Building Centres—Nirman or Nirmithi Kendras—which will provide easy access to low cost housing materials and technology and, with that end in view, have, *inter alia,* facilities for imparting training to local artisans in low cost building technologies. While the aim is to set up atleast one such Kendra in each district, in the coming financial year 70 Kendras are proposed to be set up in different parts of the country.

Legislation to regulate the hotel Industry

*260. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Govrnment propose to bring forward any legislation to regulate the hotel industry in order to prevent the fleecing of the tourists; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and by when it is proposed to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) and (b) To arrive at a consensus on the need for Central legislation to regulate the tourism industry, the Ministry of Tourism has organised two Workshops, one in August, 1987 and the other in February, 1988.

The participants in the Workshops included all segments of the tourism industry, concerned Ministeries/Departments/Agencies of the Government of India, State Governments' industry Associations, as also international organisations such as World Tourism Organisation, Japan Travel Agents Association, etc.

The Second Workshop has made some specific recommendations and necessary follow-up action is being initiated.

उड़ीसा में आदिवासियों में गरीबी मिटाने की योजनायें

@1656. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उड़ीसा राज्य में आदिवासियों में गरीबी मिटाने के लिए अनेकों योजनाएं बनाई गई हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) इन योजनाओं को कब तक क्रियान्वित किए जाने की संभावना है ;

(घ) यदि उपर्युक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर "हां" हो, तो इन योजनाओं से क्षेत्रवार, कितने-कितने लोगों को लाभ मिलने की संभावना है ; और

(ङ) सरकार द्वारा इन पर कुल कितनी धनराशि खर्च किए जाने की संभावना है ?

कल्याण मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्रीमती सुमति ओरांव) : (क) जी, हां ।

@पूर्वत: अतारांकित प्रश्न 292, 25 फरवरी, 1988 से स्थानांरित ।

(ख) उड़ीसा में आदिवासियों में गरीबी मिटाने के लिए जो योजनाएं बनाई गई हैं तथा क्रियान्वित की जा रही हैं, वे हैं,—समेकित ग्रामीण विकास कार्यक्रम (आई०आर०डी०पी०), छोटे और सीमान्त किसानों को सहायता बन्धुआ मजदूरों का पुनर्वास, निर्धन ग्रामीणों का आर्थिक पुनर्वास (ई०आर०आर०पी०), इत्यादि । इसके अतिरिक्त, समेकित आदिवासी विकास एजेंसियां (आई०टी०डी०ए०) के तथा आदिवासी विकास के लिए अन्य एजेंसियां कृषि, बागवानी, रेशम उत्पादन, पशुपालन, मछलीपालन, लघु सिंचाई इत्यादि में आय संवर्धन योजनाएं क्रियान्वित कर रही हैं ।

(ग) उपरोक्त सभी कार्यक्रम चल रहे हैं जिनके अन्तर्गत प्रत्येक वर्ष लक्ष्य निर्धारित किए जाते हैं ।

(घ) वर्ष 1987–88 के दौरान, उड़ीसा में 1,00,000 अनुसूचित जनजाति परिवारों को सहायता प्रदान करने का लक्ष्य है ।

(ङ) वर्ष 1987–88 के दौरान, इस प्रयोजन के लिए आर्थिक सहायता के रूप में लगभग 2730 लाख रुपए खर्च किए जाने की संभावना है ।

Request for aid from Pune Municipal Corporation

@1657. **SHRI SURESH KALMADI:** Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a request from the Pune Municipal Corporation for aid to complete a project for the improvement of environment along the banks of Mula and Mutha river; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter is under examination.

Underground railway system for Delhi

£1658. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railway Reforms Committee recommended for underground railway system for Delhi and some other cities in its 12th report on metropolitan transport;

(b) whether Government have accepted the report and propose to implement the recommendation relating to Delhi; and

(c) if so, what is the stage of underground railway system for Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Construction of underground corridor for Delhi was not favoured as these are highly capital intensive. However, a Task Force, set up by the Ministry of Urban Development to evaluate different modes of Mass Rapid Transport System to meet the growing needs of the capital, recommended in September, 1987 amongst other things, introduction of a MRTS on the 36 Kms. long East-West corridor because the traffic density is highest on this corridor. The MRTS would be partly on the surface, partly elevated and partly underground. The recommendations of the Task Force are under the consideration of the Government.

@Previously Unstarred Question 846, transferred from the 1st March, 1988.

£Previously Unstarred Question 914, transferred from the 2nd March, 1988.